

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 371
By Womack

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Ron Couey and the Murfreesboro Central Middle School boys' basketball team on winning the James C. Haile State Tournament.

WHEREAS, steeped in a long tradition of hardwood prominence, the 1995-1996 Murfreesboro Central Middle School boys' basketball team has once again displayed tremendous agility, a ferocious defense and awesome shooting, winning the coveted James C. Haile State Tournament championship; and

WHEREAS, this was the sixth time that Central has won the prestigious event; and

WHEREAS, in the hard-fought tournament, the Tigers impressively beat Tullahoma-East 49-36, Pulaski-Bridgeport 49-25 and Tullahoma-West 49-42; and

WHEREAS, Central also won the Little Middle Tennessee Conference regular season and tournament titles, and played in the semi-final game of the Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association State Tournament; and

WHEREAS, they compiled an enviable overall record of 18-4, a winning percentage of .820; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded **Coach Ron Couey**, who has been helped by **Assistant Coaches Bill West** and **Eric Pflueger**, has performed his duties with devotion and rare skill; and

WHEREAS, the team was lead by four sharpshooters: forward **Shane Vaughn**, Center **Allen Martin**, forward **Dennis Watson** and forward **Patrick Hicklin**, each of whom was named to the all-tournament squad; and

WHEREAS, the other members of this memorable team, including eighth graders **Gabriel Hazley, Chuck Akers, Jessie Chesterfield, Michael Taglio, Wardell Alsup, Larry Verge** and **Quincy Richardson** and seventh graders **Zack Swanson** and **Phillip Couey**, have made a significant contribution to the success the team has enjoyed; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize the members of this outstanding team on their many accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Ron Couey and the Murfreesboro Central Middle School boys' basketball team on winning the James C. Haile State Tournament and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and to each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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